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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
NOBUHIRO YASUI ET AL.)
Application No.: 10/656,242)
Filed: September 8, 2003)
For: FUNCTION DEVICE AND METHOD)
FOR MANUFACTURING THE)
SAME, PERPENDICULAR)
MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM, :
MAGNETIC RECORDING/)
REPRODUCTION APPARATUS :
AND INFORMATION PROCESS)
APPARATUS :
Examiner: Holly C. Rickman
Group Art Unit: 1773
September 15, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

(a) Introductory Comments

Prior to receipt of the first action on the merits, please amend the
above-identified application as follows: